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Students protest "Zionism and Racism" article 'Put a stop to Daily hate!'— Jewish Students Coalition

BY JONATHAN DESBARATS

A crowd of angry students gathered in front of the *Daily* office on Thursday to speak out against an opinion piece which appeared in last Monday's anti-racism issue of the *Daily*. The group of over two hundred students representing the Jewish Students Coalition (JSC) were protesting what they saw as anti-Semitism in the article entitled "Zionism and Racism, Myth or Reality."

"Monday's article was of grave concern to Jewish students who saw it as an attack on Jewish life and Jewish identity," said Howard Liebman, one of the co-ordinators of the JSC, an umbrella group of Jewish associations at McGill. "We view it as a racist piece."

The piece was written by the Palestine Solidarity Committee (PSC), and equated Zionism with racism. It said, "Zionism is an alien concept that no civilized people can adhere to."

The PSC denied that the article was anti-Semitic.

"Absolutely not," said Yousuf Arafat, speaking on behalf of the PSC. "Ninety per cent of the material submitted in the article is emanating from not only Jews but Israelis and survivors of concentration camps." Arafat mentioned Israel Shahack, a professor of organic chemistry at Hebrew University in Jerusalem and chair of the Israeli League for Human Rights as one of the sources.

But protestors were not only speaking out against the nature of the article, they were questioning the *Daily's* one sided approach to the Arab-Israeli conflict. Leslie Erlich, a Judaic Studies major at McGill, said she asked to write an article on why anti-Zionism is anti-Semitism and was told by a *Daily* staff member to write a Hyde Park instead (a Hyde Park is an opinion piece limited to 500 words).

Rabbi Reuben Poupko of the congregation Beth-Israel and chair of the Canadian Jewish Congress was one of the guest speakers at the protest. He called the *Daily* "science fiction" and said the publishing of the article was intended to offend Jews.

"The *Daily* has a plan... they want all of you to be embarrassed to identify as a Jew," he said. "Zionism is beautiful and wonderful, it is the miracle of the 20th century."

Daily apologetic

The JSC also pointed out the ridiculousness of printing an anti-racism special issue without including material on anti-Semitism.

"If the *Daily* is going to have an

issue on anti-racism, why not contact Jewish organisations, especially when anti-Semitism has been rising in Montreal," said Jeff Dickstein, a Poli-Sci student at McGill and a member of the JSC.

Mark Zarecki, director of Hillel, called it a "travesty" that no material on anti-Semitism was included in the anti-racism issue.

"The *Daily* does not believe that the Jews have the right to exist," said Zarecki. "The article negates the Jewish belief, and when you negate that right then you negate their right to exist."

The crowd was emotionally charged by a host of guest speakers and responded by waving Israeli flags and chanting songs such as "Am Israel Chai" Hebrew for "The Nation of Israel is Alive".

But some of the members of the crowd said they did not feel comfortable with the opinions expressed by the guest speakers. Rabbi Sydney Shoham of the Beth-Zion synagogue spoke of the "Arab mind" and according to Michal Leneman, a Jewish student at McGill, Shoham expressed a right wing point of view.

"This is upsetting... It's too radical," he said.

"I don't think he was representative of the majority of viewpoints or what the demonstration was all about," said Wendy Schor, also a Jewish student at McGill.

Once the rally died down and the press left (including a local CBC TV crew and a *Gazette* reporter), members of the JSC moved into the *Daily* office for the staff meeting.

Daily elections scheduled for Thursday were postponed for one week in order to discuss a list of demands put forward by the JSC to the *Daily*.

With the help of Adam Atlas and his copy of *Roberts Rules of Order* members of the JSC and the staff of the *McGill Daily* managed to hack out the wording of the apology to appear in today's issue. The *Daily* also agreed to help co-ordinate a special issue on anti-Semitism with one member of the JSC.

Some members of the PSC expressed concern over the *Daily's* apology.

"The pressure tactics used by the Jewish Students Coalition were absolutely despicable," said Arafat. "The fact that they pressured the *McGill Daily* staff into making an apology on the night of the sit-in is absurd. Many of the editors had not even read the article."

But members of the JSC involved in negotiating the apology felt that a quick retraction was absolutely necessary.

After the meeting Liebman said the apology was inadequate.

— with Link files.



Reparations postponed Tories break promise, save \$12 million

BY KRISTEN BOON

Federal budget cuts are putting anti-racism initiatives on the back-burner.

The decision to delay the creation of the Canadian Race Relations Foundation, a 1988 Mulroney election promise, has saved the government \$12 million dollars this year.

"The fact that they have not taken action, means it is not a high priority," said Art Miki, past president of the National Association of Japanese Canadians.

"We need this body and foundation to promote awareness of multicultural issues," he said.

The government claims these cuts do not indicate a lessening commitment to race issues.

"Our priorities haven't waned in terms of policy, it all comes down to dollars and cents. Everybody will have to give a bit until the economy turns around," said Tom Van Dusen, press secretary for the Ministry of Finance.

Joanne Lamarre of Multiculturalism and Citizenship pointed to the activities the government has planned for the International Day of the Elimination of Discrimination on Sunday.

The creation of the foundation was part of a 1988 agreement made between Japanese Canadians and the federal government to redress war-time damages.

In 1941-2 thousands of Japanese lost their property, and were relocated to work camps in the British Columbia interior. They lived under atrocious conditions.

The people affected by the government policies only received reparations in 1988. In addition to the creation of the Race Relations Foundation, the package included payments of \$2100 to individuals, and a \$12 million dollar grant to redevelop Japanese communities.

These other components have now been fulfilled, and Miki said "the funds have been successful in helping the

communities to develop."

Although the Bill for the Race Relations Foundation has passed both houses, the government contribution of \$12 million has been indefinitely postponed.

The purpose of the Canadian Race Relations Foundation is to increase accessibility and coordination of anti-racism activities. Although part of the package to redress Japanese Canadians, it will address all cultural groups. Race relations organizations within the Black and Caribbean community are championing its establishment.

"The foundation will oversee training for race relations programs, and it will organize information and research data bases," said Miki. "All that is left to do is allocate the funds, and create the board."

The foundation anticipated a \$24 million endowment, of which \$12 million was to be provided by the Japanese community itself in commemoration of Japanese Canadians who suffered injustices during World War Two. The interest off the endowment would be used for actual operating costs.

The National Association of Japanese Canadians has suggested two rebudgeting alternatives. One option is for the government to provide \$2 million dollars, which would equal the yearly interest, and provide the rest of the funds at a later and more prosperous date. The government has not responded to either of these suggestions.

Government attempts to cut expenditures resulted in the axing of many organizations. The merger of the Canada Council and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council was a part of this initiative.

Over a 4 year period, the government expects to save \$70 million. However, the initial costs of "streamlining" have been estimated at \$11 million.

There is no indication of when the Race Relations Foundation will receive the long awaited \$12 million dollars.

events

TODAY

The McGill Irish Society presents Padraig O'Snaidhaigh speaking on Historical Revisionism in Ireland today. Farts council room 160 at 19h30.

FRIDAY

The PSC holds elections for the executive today. Nominations close Thursday at 17h00. All nominations remaining should be given to the president of the PSC.

The Arab Student's Association opens nominations for elections today for the period of one week. For more information, call 398-6814.

The Spanish and Latin American Student's Society (SALSA) invites you to their wine and cheese at 18h30 in 107-108 of the Union Building.

The Department of Biostatistics and Epidemiology presents Benoit Masse of the department of Biostatistics of the University of North Carolina Chapel Hill speaking on Non-Parametric Methodology.

SATURDAY

The Caribbean student's Society will be holding a party in the Shit 302. Music by D.J. Genius, only a buck with an all kinda thing ticket stub, and \$3 for all you lot.

SUNDAY

The Goethe Institute presents Gens Du Pays, the Chinese in Québec, by William Ging wee Dere and Susan Lebrun. It screens at 14h00 today, and is free of charge.

Nicolas Gage, journalist and author will present "War In the Balkans: Will Conflict Spread Beyond Yugoslavia" at 15h00 in the Hell building, Concordia University, room H-110.

Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom presents a bagel breakfast at 9h30 for \$3. The subject of the accompanying speech will be the Rosenberg Case Re-Visited. The Temple is located at 4100 Sherbrooke W.

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Welfare cuts target unemployed keeners

— *Employment programs are a temporary solution* —

BY GLORIA CHANG

The Québec government's plans to cut \$30 from the monthly dole to 47,000 won't solve any problems according to welfare activists.

As part of a cost reduction plan, Québec intends to reduce payments to welfare recipients who receive up to \$580 a month but do not participate in employment programs.

The problem, say welfare rights groups, is that the cutbacks are geared towards people who are willing to participate in the programs but are still waiting to be placed in one. "there

simply are not enough programs available for welfare recipients." Said Roland Clattenburg of the St. Columba Welfare Rights Group.

"There are 60,000 programs for 240,000 people available to participate at any given time."

Manpower minister André Bourbeau disagrees. "We want those who participate in work programs to have more money than those staying at home."

Manpower claims that people are abusing the system.

"The problem is that welfare recipients say they want to participate

in an employment program but when they are offered a measure, two out of three say no," said Lynn Rowley, Bourbeau's Press secretary. According to Clattenburg, the programmes are ineffective.

"You don't have a paper saying you can do the job after completing a particular program... If you want people to get off welfare, programs should be based on an apprenticeship style."

Work programs are also temporary. After the duration of a particular program is completed, you are classed as an "available" and can't be eligible for another program for 6 months.

The maximum a participant may earn is \$114/month. Clattenburg

emphasized that with transportation costs, what is left is not very much for 80 hours of work. Even so, this does not deter people from wanting to participate said Clattenburg. "They all want to get as much as they can get."

Clattenburg pointed to other flaws. According to him, the non-participant is actually better off. While a participant can earn up to a maximum of \$94/month in part-time savings, a non-participant may make up to \$164 equivalent to perhaps 20hrs of work.

Considering that one must dedicate 80hrs/month to sustain a participant standing, the difference between \$720 for participants and

\$674 for non-participants is not much. When asked if welfare recipients are told that they are better off as a non-participant with a part-time job, Clattenburg replied, "well, we tell them the facts."

"The \$30 may not sound like much, but you have to remember that it is mounted on several different cuts" depending on the individual, says Rachel Dresden of St. Columba House. For example, if you share accommodations, \$104 is automatically deducted from the payment. There are 144 different deductions/ additions in all.

The NDG Anti-Poverty Group will be presenting their criticisms and suggestions on the welfare law in a 25 page report on March 23 at their office.

Aboriginal committee faces criticism from natives

Committee tells tales of the road

BY WENDY LEVANT

The Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples, established in August 1991 has completed two round of public hearings and is now in the process of reporting some of its findings.

Through cross-country hearings and round table discussions the commission's goal is to recommend an agenda for change.

Four of the seven committee members addressed McGill's Faculty of Law at Moot Court on Wednesday March 17. Members included chairperson Hon. René Dussault, Justice of the Québec Court of Appeal. Joining Dussault were Viola Robinson, former President of the Native Council of Canada (NCC) and Hon. Bertha Wilson, retired Justice of the Supreme Court.

The committee has a three year mandate to investigate the evolution of the relationship between Canada's first peoples and those who have joined them.

Four of the seven committee members are aboriginal as well as the majority of its 100 member staff. Speakers pointed to the committee's composition as a move in the right direction.

"In the past, issues raised policies for the betterment of aboriginal status, but changes were never possible because aboriginals were never involved," said Robinson.

"Our lack of understanding of their culture is the problem," she added.

Stewart Miouw Sr., a Mohawk member strongly questioned the commission's legitimacy, implying that the native members of the committee were paid puppets.

He pointed to Dussault and said, "You have no right to govern over us."

The committee outlined its sixteen point mandate covering everything from aboriginal self-government, land claims and

treaties, to the review of the Indian Act.

"It is possibly the broadest in Canadian Commission history," Dussault stated.

What came out of the cross country talks was the feeling that aboriginals are alienated from Canada's justice system.

Wilson said that, "In Canada, we see criminal procedure as the state versus the individual. This monolithic state is unfamiliar to natives."

"Natives also don't understand why when they commit a crime, a total stranger (a lawyer) must come in to stand between them. They don't understand why they can't tell their own stories," she continued.

Wilson cited figures indicating a completely disproportionate number of aboriginals in penal institutions to support findings that natives are alienated from the justice system.

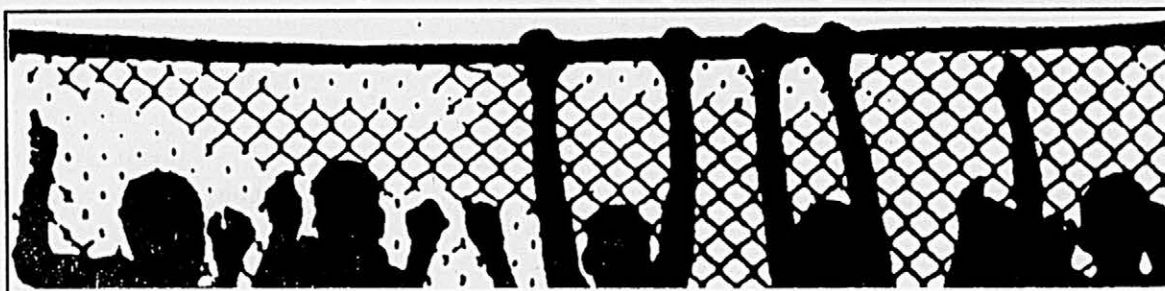
Dussault spoke about some of the "less well-known" innovations including the commission's "Ethical Guidelines for Research", "information democracy", and a publically accessible computer info base that was created to store all the information received.

Another important innovation is the attempt to bridge Aboriginal and non-aboriginal discourse through the heavy reliance on the native tradition of using personal anecdotes.

Mohawk member Keith Miouw doubted that the committee would suffice to resolve demands of Aboriginals. He suggested that this was just another commission and said that its commitment to effect change was dubious.

"How do you make Canada honest and respectful (of us)?" asked Miouw.

"We're all trying. We're all doing the best we can," Wilson offered. We're committed to change, we're just not sure how to do it," she concluded.



Conference to study discrimination

Black Youth Minorities Conference examines justice system

BY GLORIA CHANG

Is the justice system replicating some form of intolerance towards blacks?

This is one of the key questions that will be addressed at the Black Youth Minorities Conference at Université du Québec à Montréal on the weekend of April 2-3.

Public relations officer for the Congress of Black Lawyers and Jurists of Québec Lise Demers said that the time had come to probe the effectiveness of recent inquiry commission dealing with police actions against black youth.

"There seems to be some discrimination against Blacks... the purpose of the conference is to study what is the situation in 1993 and what can we do about it."

The conference will be holding various workshops on subjects ranging from the socioeconomic conditions of black communities to "Black minorities' journey through the justice system."

Experts from every section of society dealing with the young at every level will be speaking.

The committee of experts include Micheline Labelle, professor, department of sociology UQAM, director of the Groupe de recherche sur les relations ethniques et le racisme de l'UQAM; Serge Larose, professor, Cégep du vieux-Montréal and Cégep de Saint-Hyacinthe; Emerson Douyon, professor, School of Criminology at the Université de Montréal and Charles Pierre-Jacques, psychologist, professor at Cégep de

Saint-Hyacinthe.

The conference is sponsored by the Congress of Black Lawyers and Jurists of Québec in collaboration with the department of sociology at UQAM with the support of the School of Criminology at the University of Montréal to study social issues and the justice system in regards to Black youth minorities.

Registration is \$15 for students, \$75 for associations and institutions, and \$35 for others.

For more information call 987-6944.

Each workshop will be followed by a question period open to those attending.

Lise Demers stresses that the conference addresses all black youth groups, not just Haitians.



Zeta Psi members pull offensive stunt

BY FIONA MCCAW
AND KRISTIN ANDREWS

Patrons of Gerts Wednesday afternoon were subjected to the unusual sight of a group of about four Zeta Psi fraternity members wearing Barbie dolls, plastic leis and rutabagas around their necks, funneling beer and carrying on loudly.

The Barbie dolls were hanging from their necks. One of the dolls was bound and gagged with duct tape.

Several women onlookers were outraged by the display.

"What would their mother say, what would their sister say if they saw that," said onlooker Judy Weissman.

The four men, three of them McGill students and one from Dawson College, said they were doing the stunt to draw attention to the fraternity.

"We're not trying to offend anybody and if people are offended they are taking it the wrong way," said Ali, who sported the gagged Barbie doll.

While being interviewed by the

Daily one of the four placed his beer funnel on his crotch giggling at his friends while waving the nozzle around suggestively.

According to them, the Barbie dolls were intended as a tribute to John J. Bernanger, a Mattel executive who was a former Zeta Psi fraternity member.

Onlooker Celia Moore had her own version of a tribute to Zeta Psi.

"I'm going to buy a Ken doll, strip him naked, paint red nail polish on its crotch and wear it around my neck," said Moore.

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comment

An alternative Jewish viewpoint

A few years ago I was attending my Reform synagogue and I heard something which distressed me greatly. Concessions had recently been made by the Israeli government to Orthodox religious groups which discriminated against Conservative, Reform and Reconstructionist Jews.

One of the rabbis at my synagogue said that despite this, it was still our obligation to support Israel and the policies of the government. If we as Jews did not support Israel, then it would pave the way for the rest of the world to go against Israel and the Jewish state could be lost. Once this happened, then we would have nowhere to turn when large scale anti-Semitism reared its ugly head again.

This is not so irrational a fear. It was not so long ago that Germany began the persecution of its Jewish population and the rest of the world was unsympathetic. Boat loads of refugee Jews were turned away from foreign ports and forced to return to Germany. To many Jews, a reawakening of major anti-Semitism is not just likely, it is inevitable.

It is for this reason that Jews in North America seem to treat the Israeli government as infallible. Through the persecution of the Palestinians and the deportation of over 400 Palestinian dissidents, many Jews have faithfully defended the actions of the Israeli government. Policies for which Jews might condemn other governments receive a passionate defence when pursued by the Israeli government.

One of the arguments often resorted to when defending the Israeli government's treatment of Palestinians is that the Arab states do not treat their Palestinian populations any better. They do, in fact, often treat Palestinians worse than Israel. This is, however, a poor and desperate excuse.

The actions of the Israeli government should be judged on their own accord and not in comparison to what others do. The Jews especially should understand the plight of a people persecuted by others and sympathise with these people, not add to the persecution.

Similarly, the claim that if only the Arab states would recognise the UN resolution which created modern Israel, the current hostilities would not be what they are is not an excuse for Israel to fail to abide by UN resolutions. By arguing this, the Israeli government and those who defend their actions are only undermining their own position.

As a Jew, I understand the need to maintain the Jewish state. I see the resurgence of anti-Semitism in France, Germany and other areas and it bothers me greatly. I do not believe that the past cannot be repeated nor am I of the opinion that it is doomed to repeat itself.

What many Jews fail to understand is that to criticize the actions of the Israeli government is not to criticize the state of Israel itself. The actions of the Israeli government since the beginning of the uprising have done more to undermine the state in the eyes of the world than Jewish criticism of these actions. If more Jews were to put pressure on the Israeli government to change its policy, then maybe the government would see the error of their ways and make a change. If this were to happen, Israel might be able to regain the respect it has lost in recent years.

Aubrey Cohen

All readers are welcome to submit letters under 300 words. Add your name, program, year and telephone number. Anonymity can be provided; talk to an editor beforehand.

Opinions can be expressed in the form of a Hyde Park, no more than 500 words.



notes from below

We, the staff of the McGill Daily, apologise for the following.

In the article "Zionism and Racism" of the *McGill Daily* March 15 1993:

- The use of the word "Zionism" in ignorance of its full significance.
- The allusion to the Holocaust.
- The implicit delegitimation of the idea of Jewish unity and of a Jewish people.
- The lack of any material on antisemitism in the March 15 Antiracism issue.

We also apologise for any exclusionary behaviour towards Jews or Jewish voices.

We are not prepared to condemn the criticism of Israel or indeed any Nation State.

We condemn the violation of human rights everywhere.

We are also not prepared to condemn the continuing provision in the *Daily* of a voice for Palestinians and others concerned with human rights in Palestine, Israel and the Occupied Territories.

- Passed at *Daily* staff meeting, March 18.

hyde park

Opinion by the Jewish Student Coalition

We are writing concerning the policy which the *McGill Daily* has taken regarding the Arab-Israeli conflict.

Section 2.1 in the *McGill Daily* bylaws states that, "The fundamental goal of the *Daily* shall be to serve as a critical and constructive forum for the exchange of ideas and information..."

Article 2.4 states that, "The *Daily*...should abide by an ethic of fairness."

Given these objectives one would expect the *Daily* to have attempted to take an even-handed approach concerning a complicated issue like the Arab-Israeli conflict. Anyone reading the *Daily* has noticed that the *Daily*'s coverage has been anything but "constructive and fair". The *Daily* has consistently taken an antagonistic, accusatory position instead of fostering constructive debate on the issue. There has not been one article this year giving the Israeli perspective. When the editor of the *Daily*, Mr. Robins, was asked what the *Daily*'s position was on this issue he stated quite unequivocally that the newspaper was pro-Palestinian, and wouldn't print

articles that weren't pro-Palestinian.

Israel's treatment of the Palestinians, cannot be separated from its wider context, namely the Arab-Israeli conflict. By focusing on one aspect of this conflict, the *Daily*, completely ignores many other important factors such as Palestinian violence against Jews and the 22 hostile Arab states which surround Israel. This leads to a distorted, superficial treatment of this complicated issue. By engaging in such vulgar simplifications, the *Daily* is doing an extreme disservice to its readers.

This biased coverage came to a head this week in the "Anti-Racism issue". While the *Daily* addressed issues from "Eurocentrism" to "Occidentalism", there was no mention of anti-semitism. This is particularly surprising given the rash of synagogue desecrations that have occurred in Montréal this past year, in addition to the distribution of KKK literature on campus.

Furthermore, on page 10, there was a full page "opinion" submitted by the Palestinian Solidarity Committee. Entitled "Zionism and

Racism: Myth or Reality?", it essentially equated Zionism with racism, and compared Jews to Nazis. It's aim, was clearly to delegitimize Zionism and characterize as "invalid" Jewish theological and ideological doctrines. It is surprising that in an issue which dealt with ethnocentrism, an entire culture's theological, national and ideological foundations were attacked *ad hominem*.

Equating Zionism with racism is indicative that the newspaper itself is harboring an anti-semitic attitude.

As Jewish students we are angry and frustrated by the *Daily*'s attempt to delegitimize our culture and ideology. We feel that we are being dictated, what is permissible for us to believe in and what isn't. Zionism and Jewishness are parts of our identity which we refuse to suppress.

The editors' personal opinions don't concern us. We certainly won't be intimidated or embarrassed by them. But as students who pay for the *Daily* and represent a significant part of its constituency, we are concerned about what is written in the newspaper. We thus demand a complete re-evaluation by the *Daily* of its policy concerning this issue.



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letters

MINISCULE COUNTRY

To the Daily:

Congratulations are in order for the McGill Daily! The newspaper people who are never swift enough to realize when they are parodying themselves, did an admirable job of self-parody. In an issue devoted to racism and race relations, they inserted a piece of traditional agitative propaganda: and this blatant piece of anti-semitism, complete with its patronizing call to 'Jews with consciences' comes straight from the PLO, no less. In an issue that stressed the importance of ethnic groups being free to define themselves, the article opens with the bald assertion that Judaism is a religious faith and not a nationality, and that thus, a Jewish Homeland is essentially racist.

Now, were I to adopt the same patronizing manner in discussing Palestinians I would say such things as the fact that the Palestinians are not really a people, but a hybrid of Lebanese, Syrian and other Arab stock, and that historically (say 100 years ago) there were no people who identified themselves as Palestinians. I would be accused of being a racist.

Arab propagandists have known for years that 'liberal' North American newspapers are the perfect forum for their art. I would hope that in the future, the Daily would not be so gullible, and would not come out in favour of that time-tested tenet of liberalism: tolerance. If it is not intolerant to claim that the Jews have no right to Israel, when Israel is one miniscule country surrounded by a sea of Arab ones, then what is? And by the way, who ever said that non-Jews are not allowed to become citizens of Israel? Jews, it is true, have an easier time obtaining citizenship (they are issued passports upon arrival). This is because there have been times in history when no other place in the world would grant them so much as landed immigrant status.

Jonathon Goldman
U2 Arts

YELLOW JOURNALISM

To the Daily:

In response to your blatantly anti-Semitic article in the ironically named anti-racism special entitled "Racism & Zionism", I feel that I must respond to explain why I, as a Jew, felt personally attacked by the last sorry chapter in the McGill Daily's avowed agenda of bashing Israel, Zionism and Judaism wherever possible.

This piece of yellow journalism, which the author was not courageous enough to sign except as the official PSC line, begins by immediately denying that there is any such thing as a Jewish people, ironic in that the Palestinian movement would deny Jews nationhood-status while demanding that they be thought of as a people. It then goes on to dismiss Jewish theology as "tribal mythology" and confidently claims that it knows the mind of God and that (surprise, surprise) S/He also toes the PSC party line. Worst of all, this article implicitly confuses Israelis and Jews and labels them as inherently racist, fascist and evil, as well as implicitly saying that Israelis are akin to Nazis, a profoundly revolting comparison for anyone aware of the intense magnitude of the Holocaust. In its concluding paragraph, the PSC also explains that should you dare to disagree with them then you are bereft of dignity, not to mention an evil fascist.

To boot, Lisa Grushcow's article on discrimination within the anti-racism movement was mysteriously bumped from the supplement, appearing two days later in a regular Daily issue, rather than the one focusing on anti-racism issues. All of this reveals a particularly disturbing picture of a newspaper which claims to have made up its mind that it dislikes the Jewish portion of this school. Ans that is

undoubtedly the worst racism of all.

Dan Furst
U1 Arts

#1 AND #2

To the Daily:

"This society was made for you" (Anti-Racism Special, March 15) addresses injustice perpetrated on two different, although related, levels. The broader level (#1) concerns the inequities of the power structures in relation to which we all—in one way or another—live. There is good measure of accuracy in the author's description of our society as "racist, sexist, classist, heterosexist, homophobic, agist and ablist" (although I confess that some of these adjectives were new to me). The more immediate level of injustice (#2) is apparently that the position of human rights commissioner at an Ontario university went to a white male student instead of the author—an Asian-Caribbean Canadian female student. And it is this event which seems to give occasion for a commentary on the level of injustice #1.

Unfortunately, the author's discussion takes the form of a hateful polemic which is almost entirely removed from any context. What was it in the white male's statement of employment that induced such a response? Or had he simply—by virtue of being a white male—complined in injustice on level #1? The answer is unknown to the reader of the Daily, as virtually no information concerning his employment is given. The author does make oblique reference to the "guilt" which the white male apparently evidenced in his statement. However, because no further positive relationship is established between the hiring decision and the greater injustice with which the author is concerned, we are left with a vicious invective against this person *qua* abstract oppressor. Accordingly, the author reduces this person to a stereotype without identity—addressing him, as she does, in a most dehumanizing way.

The systematically unequal distribution of power in our society is no small issue. But nothing is accomplished by making mean caricatures out of real people and their lives. Level of injustice #1 cannot be so carelessly abstracted from level #2.

John Gould
U3 History

MORE ACTION

To the Daily:

As a former member of the Anti-Racism Working Group, I was pleased to see Nityanand Deckha's public assessment of the group. I agree completely that an assessment of the strengths and weaknesses of the group is an excellent opportunity to understand how politically diverse groups come together and why they succeed or fail. This enables us to develop organizational models which focus on the issues and achieve their goals.

Unfortunately, Mr. Deckha does not address the real reason why the group was such a failure. Quite simply, NOTHING EVER GOT DONE!! The group sat around and and philosophized, never coming to any conclusions or transforming their ideas into concrete action. The real weakness of the group, and other such groups around McGill, is that they would rather sit around stroking their 'ism' than actually doing something.

This turns off younger students who wish to take part in the McGill political community. Part of the reason McGill is so apathetic is that student groups fail to do anything concrete that would captivate student's interests and motivate them to participate. Many students are so disenchanted with this constant mental masturbation that they remove themselves from political activity

completely. This was the most glaring weakness of the Working Group, and the loss of many of our youngest and brightest activists, perhaps for the rest of their years at McGill, leads me to believe that the costs of forming this group were much greater than the benefits.

As political activists, we need to do more than sit around and talk. Talking is a fundamental part in communicating ideas and increasing understanding, however, unless accompanied by concrete actions, it is useless. As a departing activist, I have one piece of advice to those who wish to accept such a role in the future: LESS TALK AND MORE ACTION!

Jonathan Shime
U3 Poli Sci

MED FRAT SPEAKS

To the Daily:

In the Daily of March 17, Lisa Grushcow wrote, "The fight against oppression is a fight against all forms of oppression." AMEN!

And while the issues of racism and anti-semitism do share the common origin of human intolerance (aka pig-headedness), so do many other forms of discrimination.

When student groups are continuously criticized solely because of a word in their name, that is OPPRESSION. However, that is the daily experience of the McGill Medical Fraternity and its 200 female and male members from all faculties.

OPPRESSION is also when people in positions of authority (e.g. Daily editors/writers) react to a student organization by telling it to change its name, simply because they would prefer it that way. They cannot cite anything offensive in our principles or practices, but their personal hatred for a WORD is supposedly reason enough to judge us. That is called PREJUDICE!

When a student government-recognized group asks to defend its right to advertise in the McGill papers (a right accorded freely to all other recognized groups) because of a word in their name, that is DISCRIMINATION.

When McGill Medical Fraternity posters in the Union building which are stamped for posting are torn down, that is OPPRESSION as much as it was when the LBGM Dance poster was removed by Gert's patrons.

When students approach our membership drivetable (with one female and one male representative) and accuse us of being sexist and discriminatory, that is INTOLERANCE.

When two students who are organizing a lecture on eating disorders (Friday, March 26) under the banner of the Sexual Assault Centre of McGill request our members to support them financially and volunteer our time to help, they are being TOLERANT and UNDERSTANDING. Thank you, Tamara and Dot. Others have a lot to learn from you.

Lisa Saroli U2 Arts
Roland Orfaly, Med-1

MY DEFINITION OF RACISM

To the Daily:

Let me start by giving you my definition of racism. To me, racism is any sort of discrimination based solely on race. That is why I have a serious problem with your inclusion of the article "This society was made for you" in your anti-racism special issue.

This article simply consists of a letter written by Nathalie, an Asian Caribbean Canadian student, to a white male that has just been given the position of human rights commissioner at an Ontario university which she had also applied for. It is preceded by a statement explaining the letter and stating that Nathalie was also qualified for the job, not more qualified or that the white male was less qualified; just qualified. Therefore the opinion implied that, if not outright stated in the article (that Nathalie was the right choice for the job) is one based solely on race, it is a racist opinion. No attention whatsoever is paid to the credentials of the two applicants as individuals or even to their personal characteristics, it is simply understood that Nathalie deserves the job by merit of her skin colour. The white male who received the job is not even given a name, he is just a faceless member of the "evil and oppressive" white majority.

If you asked me to describe my appearance, the first thing I'd say is that I'm a white male. But if you asked me to describe myself as a person, the first thing I'd say is that I'm Joseph Hessney, an individual above all else, not merely a faceless member of some larger group, be it a racial, political or religious group. When you view anyone first as part of a

racial group and not as an individual, you are being a racist. And until you start to view every person as an individual you will remain a racist, and society will continue to be divided along racial and ethnic lines.

Joseph Hessney
U1 Arts

YOU'RE JUST AS BAD

To the Daily:

I find it ironic that in an anti-racism issue you would print an article so unconstructive as "Nathalie's letter".

If this had been a "hyde park" or a commentary expressing legitimate anger at subjugation and discrimination, then it would have been both appropriate and commendable. But as a letter to a man she has probably never seen before, it was unwarranted.

I'm an African-American woman. I too have felt the bitter hatred from a society that does not understand me. I too have had to explain the size of my feet, the shape of my eyes...explain and re-explain my ancestry. There have been times when I have been consumed with a hatred so strong that I never want to remember...yet I can't forget.

But for all that, I still disagree with Nathalie. You, Nathalie, persecuted a man for nothing more than having a different color of skin. Isn't that what our people have been fighting against all these years? You saw a white male get the job you wanted and you attacked him for it. If you had a problem with the selection process you should have taken it up with the personnel office. Not once in your letter was there any mention of merit. Why is that? Were you better qualified? Did he get the job unfairly? Or is all that irrelevant to you?

You're absolutely right Nathalie, this man can never understand where you're coming from. He has had the luxury of being part of the dominant society. "[Your] identity is NOT the same as [his] and it never will be." He has had the privilege of being a part of the "white" culture, a culture that has been the oppressor for too long. Yet if you persecute a man for the evils of his society, without taking into account the individual's motivations, then you're just as bad as the racists you attack.

Jena Martin
History/Poli.Sci U3

hyde park

Opinion by the Palestinian Solidarity Committee

The Palestine Solidarity Committee's 15 March article aimed to equate the political philosophy of Zionism with racism. In turn, some students on campus protested that such an equation is anti-Semitic.

We, the PSC, believe that everyone has the right to question Zionism and its exclusive implications, and we will not be cowed into submission by demagogic accusations of racism. We as a group maintain our stand on this issue and regard the attempts of students to suppress this discussion as inappropriate for a university atmosphere.

Furthermore, we regard these groups as using the accusation of racism as a pretext to eliminate all criticism of Israel on campus. Rather than silencing all criticisms of Zionism and Israel, we invite all McGill students to participate in this debate and share their views in an open and unthreatening atmosphere.

At the outset of explaining our position on the question of Zionism

and racism, we face one initial difficulty which the article of 15 March unfortunately failed to address: What is the definition of Zionism? According to the Jewish Student Coalition's definition, entitled "Four Aims of Zionism", Zionism is briefly: (1) Unity of the Jewish people (2) Centrality of Israel in Jewish life (3) "The ingathering of immigrants to Israel from all countries, and the strengthening of the state of Israel which is based upon the prophetic vision of justice and 'peace'" and (4) "The protection of Jewish rights everywhere."

Thus, rather than listing the many theoretical "schools of thought" in Zionism, we claim that on the basis of the above points, and particularly Number 3, Zionism is generally a movement by the Jewish people to act collectively in establishing a state in Eretz Israel (historic Palestine). If we are correct in this minimalist definition, we can explain why the PSC and others on campus regard aspects of Zionism as including notions of

racism. We define racism as a systematic discrimination against people or groups based on race, religion, ethnicity, colour, gender and sexual orientation.

The fundamental criticism many Palestinians, Israeli Jews and others have of Zionism is that the creation of a Jewish state in Palestine has been accomplished without the consent of the indigenous Arab-Palestinian population. This indigenous population represented 90 per cent of the non-Jewish population before Zionist immigration began in the 1880s. We believe that Zionism ignores the 1400 years of continuous Arab (mostly Muslim) population of Palestine, and the culture they cultivated throughout the centuries. We find the negation of Arab Palestinians' claims to the land to be racist, and that the non-Jewish Palestinians' historical existence in Palestine is blatantly disregarded by Zionism and the Jewish state of Israel.



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Demonstrators protest persecution of Muslims

BY ANDREW NICHOLS

Muslims from Montréal and beyond demonstrated Friday in support of discrimination against Muslims everywhere. MUC Police estimated that there were 150 to 200 participants, while one demonstrator suggested that there were 500 to 600 protesting. The demonstrators chanted "Israel must not exist" and "down with Israel."

"We are here to express our solidarity with the oppressed Palestinians and with oppressed people all over the world," said Abu Saajidah, who took part in the rally.

"This day was declared by Khomeini in 1982 as the day of Jerusalem and it is essential of every Muslim to condemn the presence of Israel in Jerusalem and whoever does not participate in the annual protest is not a truthful and practicing Muslim," said protestor Mohamad Habib.

Doron Goldstein, a coordinator of the Jewish Students' Coalition, said

he fully supported demonstrations against discrimination. "There's no question that Muslims are persecuted in numerous countries," said Goldstein. But Goldstein said that within Israel proper, "Muslims are equal citizens and have complete freedom of religion, expression and full civil and political rights."

Goldstein said that in the Occupied Territories, "there's no question that there is a problem in terms of civil rights."

When asked what he thought of the demonstrators' equation of Zionism with racism, Goldstein said that "Zionism is no more racist than any other nationalism or religion."

But demonstrators insisted the comparisons were valid. "Zionism is equivalent to racism," said demonstrator, Mohamad Said. "What was done against the Jews by Hitler they are doing against the Palestinians, the true people of Palestine."

Said denied he was anti-Semitic saying that he was anti-Zionist. Said said that he does not believe that anti-

Zionism is the same thing as anti-Semitism.

"We are not saying that every Jew has to leave. All Jews should have the same civil rights as they enjoy in every country, but not at the expense of the human rights of Palestinians," said Said.

All of the demonstrators the *Daily* spoke to said that they were not Palestinian even though it was the plight of the Palestinians that most of them identified with. The protest was attended by Muslims from the United States, Lebanon, Algeria and Tunisia, said demonstrator Mustapha.

s s m u b r i e f

New election for vp external

Students' Society is holding a new election for the position of vp external.

The Society's Judicial Board, sort of like a supreme court, decided to overturn the vp external results because losing candidate Alexander Boldizar's photo did not make it into the photo and pensketch section of the *Tribune* before the election. The cause of the mistake is unknown.

The Board believed that the mistake could have cost Boldizar the election because he lost to G. Andrew Work by only 95 votes.

The Society will have a new election at the end of March. The mistake will cost the Society \$5000.

— Michael Rottmayer

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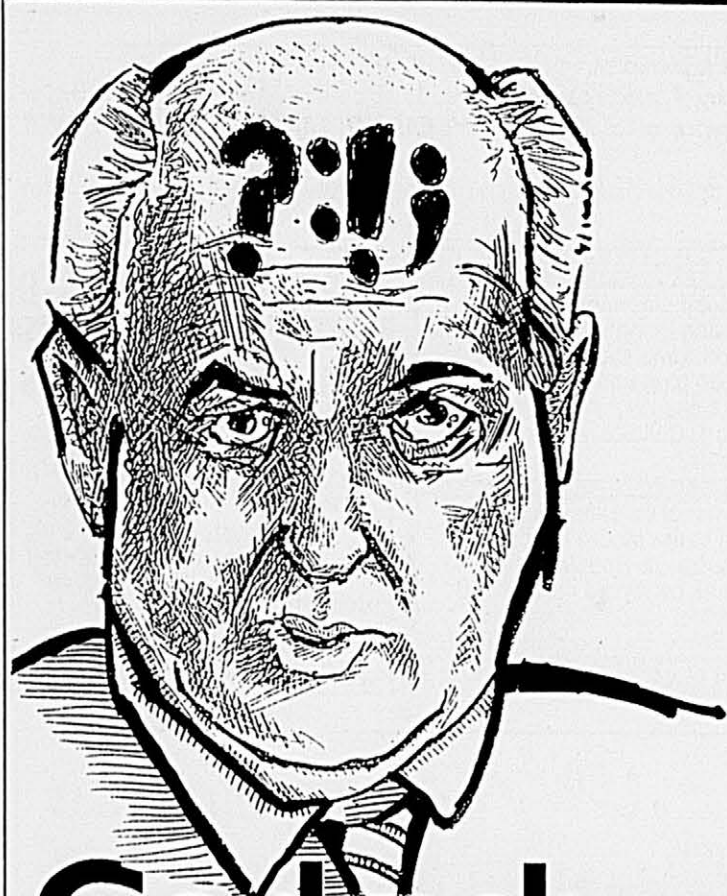
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Gorbachev discussion hot ticket

BY AUBREY COHEN

On March 29, from 15h-16h, a roundtable discussion will be held between Mikhail Gorbachev, Pierre Trudeau and McGill professors Boss, Brenner and Taylor. This discussion will be simulataneously rebroadcast in English and French by closed circuit television to two halls on campus.

Sound exciting? Well don't get your hopes up. Tickets are all gone. Suprised that you did not hear about this before? Well you are not the only one.

Professor Arel, of Eastern European and Russian studies in Political Science, said that he was never officially informed of the visit.

"I heard about it through my students," he said.

Conference coordinator Anne Marie Bourdouxhe of University Relations, said that she was surprised that many of those involved or closely associated with Soviet studies were unaware that Gorbachev was coming to McGill.

"I thought the Sovietologists knew about it," said Bourdouxhe.

Bourdouxhe said that it would have been possible to contact all the relevant departments, "if the McGill Public Relations office had a staff of ten, but it was only me."

Even those who knew of the event did not know when tickets were going to be available. Professor Boss (a participant in the event) found out too late that all of the tickets were gone. "After some protest, I got three measly tickets," Boss said.

There was one announcement in the *McGill Reporter* of when tickets were going to be available. Tickets became available on March 1. By 22h40 on March 2, they were all gone.

"We didn't think we'd get rid of the tickets so quickly. We had planned to advertise in the *Daily* and the *Tribune* [after tickets were made available]," said Bourdouxhe.

Tickets were given away to everyone on a first come, first serve basis. There were tickets set aside for the media, the Beaty Committee (which is sponsoring the event) and the governors.

"They should have thought of setting aside a certain number of tickets for Russian studies... Almost nobody from Russian studies will attend the event," said Arel.

Bourdouxhe said that under the will of the Beaty Committee, visitors must give one public lecture. These guests usually go on to hold more specialized workshops in the related departments. Gorbachev is not doing this.

"If Gorbachev would have been a Beaty lecture true to form, there would have been special sessions for those most directly affected," said Bourdouxhe.

Boss said that, "I think that no matter how it was done there would have been protests from those who didn't get tickets... It is unfortunate that there were so few tickets."

Some concerned and ticketless students started a petition to open up more halls for the event. This possibility has been rejected because of cost and technical problems.

If you are eager to see the discussion, but do not have a ticket, all is not lost. McGill will be rebroadcasting the tape between April 1 and April 14. Be sure to check the *McGill Reporter* on March 24 for further information.

Women in El Salvador strive for change

BY WAYNE HILTZ

After a devastating twelve-year civil war, women in El Salvador have begun to take their first steps to organize and to present their demands.

"We must continue the women's struggle. We know that it's going to be very long," said Maria Isabella Morales, a leader of the Melida Anaya Montes Movement (MAM) last Thursday at McGill.

"We're setting up the basis for finding alternatives so that more women will become participants in the reconstruction and transformation of the country."

Morales Anaya, aka Mirian, said the MAM was formed last year by women from many sectors—political activists, peasants, workers, professionals, students, market-women, and sex trade workers.

"Our first objective is to raise the consciousness of women out of subordination and underdevelopment and then to struggle for women's specific demands," said Mirian, who is also a member of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN).

Salvadoran women face a series of problems common to many women throughout the world. Their legal rights within the family are few. The law states that women must largely obey their husbands, and have no place to make a complaint against violence, either domestic or otherwise.

"In El Salvador, violations of women's rights are not considered a violation of human rights," she concluded.

While heading a family was a common phenomenon for thousands of women before the war, many more became widows and single mothers as a result of it. (Over 75 000 Salvadorans lost their lives during the war).

With a 60 per cent unemployment

rate, Mirian said it is quite difficult for women to find a job, especially when many employers demand that they not be pregnant, to avoid paying them during pregnancy and afterwards.

"Many women resort to inadequate measures to have an abortion which is illegal in El Salvador," she said. "It is also the main cause of mortality among adult women."

Many are sexually harassed or raped by employers and must remain quiet if they want to keep their jobs.

Mirian said the government spends very little on women's health care, with only one-half of a special maternity/child care hospital existing in the whole country.

"Must become protagonists"

El Salvador remains a largely rural society in which the unequal distribution of land was one of the main causes of the war.

Women have no access to land, credits or loans, Mirian said, unless they are widows who farm the land themselves.

Lastly, she said that a high number of women have been affected by traumas due to the war. "It's easier to reconstruct materially. But reconstruction on a psychological basis is going to be very difficult," Mirian explained.

As a first step to combat these problems, Mirian said the MAM has been organizing awareness campaigns among women throughout El Salvador. The movement has over 4000 volunteers, mostly from the informal (market) sector, but has little funds to carry out this work, she added.

The MAM is also preparing for next March's national and local elections. "We are drawing up a platform of women's demands that represent all different sectors and asking the left's electoral coalition to include it

on their platform," Mirian said.

It is working to elect many women who "really represent women's interests" and who are capable of achieving concrete results after the elections. They will set up preparation and training courses for women candidates at five regional centres, she said. (Only nine women are deputies in the 60-member Legislative Assembly).

"One of the most deeply felt demands is child-care," Mirian said. "Women should not be the only ones responsible for taking care of children. That responsibility should also belong to the state."

Physical and sexual violence against women is another major concern. She said that a law has been recently approved which would make rape and other forms of violence a violation of women's and human rights.

One provision would see the creation of a special committee, consisting of women, where women can feel comfortable and make complaints, and have an immediate search carried out for those responsible.

Mirian said there is now an opening among some Salvadoran men who understand that there is a need for women's development and training in this time of reconstruction and democratization.

But she added that this does not mean that they will wait and let men do things for them. "Women must become protagonists who will organize themselves and create solutions and there are many real problems that we've only begun to overcome."

Those wishing to support MAM financially or other ways may write to the: *Movimiento de Mujeres Melida Anaya Montes/ Colonia Santa Eugenia/ Bulevar Tutunichapa/Casa #4/ Barrio San Miguelito/San Salvador, El Salvador.*

Women for People kicks off

BY PAMELA MURRAY

A new federal political party is in the midst of forming here in Montréal.

"Women For People" held their first meeting at Concordia University this week in order to hold an open forum and discuss future party platforms. The party is not for women only, as was erroneously quoted in newspapers earlier this week, although the 20 or so people who showed up to the meeting were all women.

Women For People was conceived last year by a few women who were fed up with the present political agenda and decided to take action for themselves.

"If you want something done, then do it — you can't expect people to act on your behalf," said one of the group's organizers, Marsha Ackman.

Another organizer, Diane Piedmont of the McGill Women's Studies Department said "We are at a critical time in history," and she calls for "the 52 per cent solution in

order to bring women's perspectives into politics."

The women formed the party in order to encourage more women to become active in the political process and to provide an alternative party whose concerns are mainly social.

The party is in the process of becoming legally registered and it is exactly a process like this one that Women For People want reformed. Legal language discourages many people from getting involved, said Ackman. She called for a simplification of political jargon to make politics a less intimidating sphere of society.

"We need to communicate with people in a language they can understand, in order to break down the mystique of politics," said Ackman.

Ackman justified the formation of a new party citing the passing of the GST as an example. "No matter how many were against it, they passed it anyway." She complained that there were "too many think tanks and not enough organizing [political] groups."

Women For People is concerned with issues such as tax reform, the environment, disarmament, sexism, racism, education, childcare and violence against women, an issue which is completely marginalized in mainstream politics, says Piedmont. "It is even joked about in Parliament."

The group have no specific policy yet, as the organizers want this to be determined democratically by the members themselves, as the party solidifies.

Co-organizer Maria Paluso was pleased with the turnout and with the discussion at the meeting. Looking around the room at the diversity of women attending, co-organizer Maria Paluso said "We've achieved something quite aside from the making of policies tonight."

One woman, Mildred Ryerson, who's been socially and politically active since the 1920s, affirmed the group's enthusiasm with a closing reminder: "If we're going to change our society and make it a better place to live in, we've all got to become more political."